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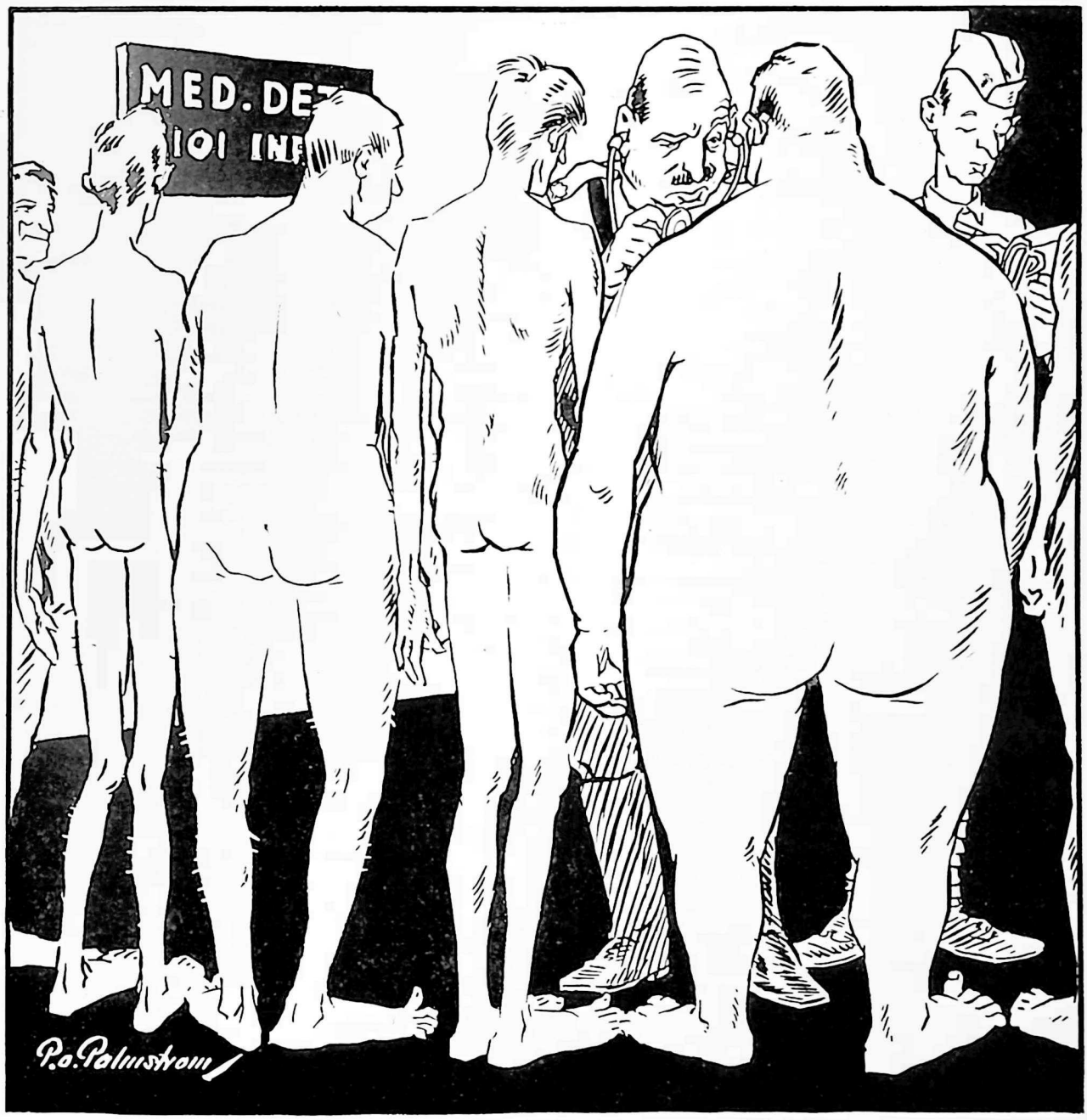

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BETWEEN OURSELVES

Laws do not change human nature. Prohibition proved it; countless other laws have proved it. Changes come from within, not from without. This country is in the midst of a great experiment: if it is to succeed the change must come from within, not from without.

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Nature's law is the survival of the fittest. As children of nature it has been men's law. They have added but one revision to it as they inherited it from brutes; namely survival of the unfortunate at the will and pleasure of the fortunate. This has seldom been thought of as a social duty, usually rather as a very praiseworthy example of individual nobility of mind.

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Now what is this new experiment? The progress of society as a body, as a civilization, has been recognized by protection from violence to person or property, but not by any acknowledged RIGHT to the means of its own subsistence. The acknowledgment, the PROCLAMATION of that *right* is the essence of the experiment. Far, far more important however is the attempt to put it into execution. We hear of the sovereign will of the people. Having discovered and proclaimed their right, is "sovereign will" enough to execute it? Demagogues will say Yes; history says No. How, then?

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Men strive for a motive. The most powerful motive is gain, personal gain. Try to sublimate that motive to *society's* gain, and one of two things will happen. They will cease striving or they will find a way to circumvent the purpose and get their personal gain just the same.

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Then the new experiment cannot work? IT CAN WORK. The element of personal gain, the tremendous power of the motive of personal gain has not for a minute been removed. But the definition of the objective has been changed. Not direct, immediate, personal, tangible gain (which we will have to divide with the government and the poor, or lose altogether because the social state totters), but the vastly more important gain of living in a world of greater comfort, higher pursuits and more universal happiness. The motive power of all striving—personal gain—is still there, and that which is to be gained is more worthwhile than ever. Returns are slower, preliminary sacrifices are greater;—are we sufficiently adult-minded to see it?

An appeal to patriotism and unselfishness is all right as far as it goes. But it only touches a few, and only for a while. Show a man how he can make more money BY being patriotic and unselfish; let selfishness be the prime motive and unselfishness the secondary one, then you hit him right where he lives (most of us). There and there alone lies the success or failure of this experiment. Not in "how many teeth has the law got." Teeth or no teeth, men will circumvent it if they can't see it, don't believe in it. Prohibition proved that. Men must see, understand, believe. The experiment is not one in legislation, but one in education. Have we grown beyond the dog who grabs at a bone? Are we civilized? Can we pull together for the immeasurable benefits and joys which can never come even to the most fortunate of us by pulling apart? Can we ALL do it? If so we have parted company with brute creation; we have repealed the law of the survival of the fittest; we are destined for a higher and a fuller life.

FIX---BAYONETS!!

The Yankee Division Goes Forward Again!

This is a fighting year. All America, punch-drunk and groggy from what it has been through, was about ready, six months ago, to throw in the sponge and take the count. Then it happened to remember that it was the U.S.A. It chanced to remember that it is never licked. Tossing back its sweat-streaked hair and spitting out a few clots of blood, it started in TO FIGHT.

About one month ago, the YD Veterans Association looked dubiously at the future, wondered whether another fight was worth while. Then it remembered it was the child of the YANKEE DIVISION. It had never been licked. And to-day it starts to FIGHT!

YOU and YOU and YOU have got to strap on the old iron hat, fix bayonets and FIGHT FOR IT AND WITH IT AGAIN. If you don't, we're licked, down, out and licked.

You have seen other appeals for help in these pages. This one is different. This is a mobilization—A CALL TO ARMS. It is no minor emergency our Association faces: it is life or death. Right at this blessed moment that these words are written, there are just two things we can do—exactly two and no more—give up, close up shop, OR FIGHT AS WE HAVEN'T FOUGHT SINCE 1918.

Time is even past for an open forum of what we should do and how we should do it. For a short space of time we have got to submit to the SAME DICTATORSHIP AND DISCIPLINE WE KNEW IN WAR. Your officers have assumed the responsibility you placed on them. They have devised the plan. You may not like it (you may not like them, or some of them), but a thousand suggestions, backed by the most sincere of good intentions, will not get us out of our troubles. There must be one plan—and like it or not, there must be the DISCIPLINE to go through with it. THE YANKEE DIVISION IS IN O.D. AGAIN: WE ARE AN ARMY ONCE MORE: SOME GIVE ORDERS AND SOME TAKE THEM, BUT EACH DOES HIS PART. This is no attempt at high-handedness, no superiority complex, no caste system or high-hatting. It is simply the outcome of necessity. Just as in the old Yankee Division, under General EDWARDS, no man was ever made to feel less than a man, was never forced to surrender his self-respect; just so to-day—in carrying out commands which you may perhaps think could be vastly improved upon, you lose no self respect. Send in your suggestions—every one will be given all consideration. BUT MEANWHILE BE A SOLDIER, FORGET EVERYTHING ELSE BUT SUCCESS; THINK OF THE OFFICERS NOT AS INDIVIDUALS BUT AS OCCUPANTS OF THE OFFICES YOU ELECTED THEM TO—WITHOUT INDIVIDUALITY—DOING THEIR BEST.

What is the plan? What are the general orders? What is the attack order? What is the objective?

THE YD VETERANS ASSOCIATION MUST HAVE, AND INTENDS TO GET, 2500 NEW MEMBERS BETWEEN NOW AND NOVEMBER 11.

THE DUES FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOW TO APRIL 1, 1934, HAVE BEEN REDUCED FROM $2.00 to $1.00.

That $2500.00 is the absolute minimum upon which we can subsist.

The National President of the YD Veterans Association assumes command with the provisional rank of "Colonel". The National Secretary accepts the appointment of Adjutant.

The eight National Vice Presidents have been notified, and have accepted the rank of Major. Each has been assigned a definite territory for which he is directly responsible. In every case except Massachusetts, the territory comprises the entire state for which he is Vice President. In Massachusetts, the territorial jurisdiction is divided between the V.P. for Massachusetts and the two Vice Presidents at Large.

In localities where chartered chapters exist, chapter Presidents are to be Captains, unless they designate a substitute. In all other centers of population, Captains will be designated by the Major for the district, or, upon his request, by the C.O.

There will be a captain to every concentrated center in New England. He will form teams, headed

by Lieutenants of his own choice. These teams will EFFECT **PERSONAL CONTACT** WITH prospective members, report progress and remit dues through channels.

Outlying districts will be covered in such way as the Majors and their State Headquarters Units (authorized by the last Annual Convention) see fit. Focal points are assumed to include suburbs and outlying districts.

No effort to obtain new members at $1.00 will be made within the resident area of the YD Club of Boston. In the areas of every other chartered chapter in New England, it will be the duty of the city Captain to induce new members to join the local chapter as well as the National Association: the difference in dues is slight. Such chapter cities are: Portland, Waterville, Me.; Concord, Manchester, Nashua, N.H.; Lynn, Lawrence, Springfield, Mass.

The total of 2500 has been sub-divided into quotas for each state and each focal point within the state. Each focal point will be responsible for its quota; each Major will be responsible for the entire quota of his state or portion of a state. Reports will be rendered by team leaders to city Captains daily; by Captains to Majors weekly.

The assignments are as follows:

TOTAL OBJECTIVE	2500	BLAKE, Colonel
Massachusetts	1000	SLATE, CRONIN, SANDERSON, Majors
Connecticut	500	LEAVENWORTH, Major
Maine	400	WALKER, Major
Rhode Island	250	KEACH, Major
New Hampshire	250	SAYERS, Major
Vermont	100	BUGBEE, Major

These quotas are based on the probable YD strength within the respective states, excluding the Greater Boston area.

Further sub-division of quota is as follows. City captains are not named here as selections are in the process of being made.

MASSACHUSETTS	1000	Major: GEORGE J. CRONIN, Nat. V.P. at Large, 18 Spaulding St., Dorchester, Mass.
Eastern section		
Lynn	100	
Lawrence	100	
Lowell	100	
Salem	65	
Haverhill	50	
Gloucester	25	
Southern section		Major: HOWARD A. SANDERSON, Nat. V.P. at Large, P.O. Box 387, Boston, Mass.
Brockton	50	
Fall River	50	
New Bedford	50	
Plymouth	25	
Taunton	10	
Central & Western sect.		Major: EDMUND J. SLATE, Nat. V.P. for Mass., 372 Pleasant St., Holyoke, Mass.
Worcester	100	
Springfield	100	
Fitchburg	50	
Holyoke	50	
Framingham	25	
Greenfield	10	
Marlboro	10	
Milford	10	
No. Adams	10	
Pittsfield	10	
CONNECTICUT	500	Major: DANA T. LEAVENWORTH, Nat. V.P. for Conn., P.O. Box 2014, Hartford, Conn.
Hartford	100	
New Haven	100	
Bridgeport	50	
Norwalk	30	
Stamford	30	
Danbury	25	
Meriden	25	
Bristol	25	
Waterbury	25	
Hamden	20	
New Milford	20	
Willimantic	10	
Groton	10	
Noroton	10	
Bal. of state	20	
MAINE	400	Major: ELTON P. WALKER, Nat. V.P. for Maine, 31 Beckett St., Portland, Maine.
Portland & vicinity	75	
Lewiston-Auburn area	50	
Saco-Biddeford	50	
Bangor area	25	
Waterville area	25	
Augusta	25	
Skowhegan	25	
Rumford area	25	
Eastport, Calais, Machias	25	
Houlton & points North	10	
Norway-Paris	10	
Bridgeton, Harrison, Fryeburg	10	
Sanford-Springvale	10	
Bath-Brunswick	10	
Bal. of state	25	
RHODE ISLAND	250	Major: C. BIRD KEACH, Nat. V.P. for Rhode Island, 132 Lexington Ave., Providence, R.I.
Providence	100	
Pawtucket	50	
Woonsocket	25	
Bal. of state	75	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	250	Major: WILLIAM J. SAYERS, Nat. V.P. for N.H., 52 Hollis St., Manchester, N.H.
Manchester area	75	
Nashua area	25	
Concord area	25	
Keene area	20	
Claremont-Newport	15	
Woodsville area	15	
Franklin area	15	

Portsmouth area	10	
Dover-Rochester-Somersworth area	10	
Berlin area	10	
Laconia area	10	
Conway area	10	
Bal. of state	10	
VERMONT	100	Major: HARRY W. BUGBEE, Nat. V.P. for Vermont, Highgate Center, Vermont.
Rutland area	20	
Barre area	20	
Montpelier	10	
St. Johnsbury	10	
St. Albans, Newport area	10	
Burlington area	10	
Bellows Falls, White River Jct.	10	
Bal. of state	10	

Only a few words remain to be said. First of all, the real co-operation and real WORK of the City Captains and their crews is taken for granted. But—they've got to have something to sell. They will be provided with the facts and the reasons why this old YD Veterans Association of ours deserves to live. They will be armed with a knowledge of those things which it brings to the man who joins it. Why does it deserve to live, and what does it bring to the man who joins it?

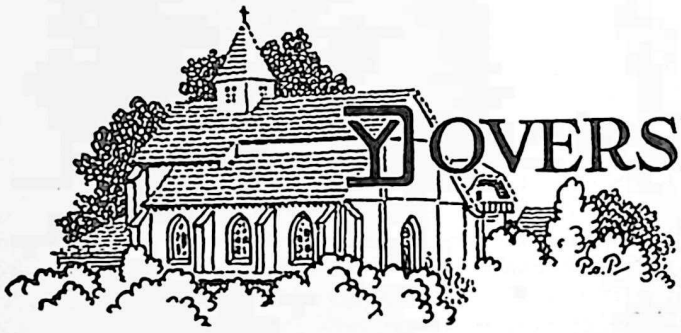
It deserves to live because (1) the memory of the Yankee Division itself is still sweet to all of us, we are still proud that our war service was in the ranks of one of the three or four crack divisions of the A.E.F., under a man we all loved and admired; (2) it deserves to live as a vital, true-American, unselfish force in New England; (3) it deserves to live as the one veteran organization in which we find a closer comradeship than any other can offer us.

What does it bring to the man who joins it? What does he "get" for his $1.00? He gets (1) the sense of pride that he is keeping alive a memory which is dear to him; (2) he revives old friendships through the pages of YANKEE DOINGS and at the great Annual Reunion each June; (3) he is doing his part in a fight to keep a fighting organization fighting in a fighting year.

Remember: the Y.D.V.A. knows no geographical bounds. Its headquarters are in Boston, but you never hear of anyone saying, "Why should I join the American Legion, that's an Indianapolis outfit."

If YOU and YOU and YOU are ready to do O.D. and fix bayonets, send your name to the Major of your state or area as listed above. Let him know he can count on you. Meanwhile, if some one else is chosen Captain of your city, work along with him like a soldier.

We've GOT to put this across!



YD OVERSEAS MEMORIAL

A RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

As promised in last month's issue, General SHERBURNE's (LM) Final Report for the YD Overseas Memorial Committee is printed below in full. This report was submitted, but not read, to the Fourteenth Annual Convention of the YD Veterans Association in Concord, New Hampshire, on June 16, 1933. The report was accepted and a special committee appointed to convey to General SHERBURNE (LM) and his associates some measure of the appreciation of the Veterans Association for the truly splendid achievement they had consummated. It was also voted, upon the request of the Overseas Memorial Committee, that they be relieved from further duty and the committee be discharged.

What follows should bring a thrill of pride to the heart of every YD man. It is *history* of the Division's greatest post-war achievement, and should be preserved by every member alongside his histories of the Division's war record. The report is as follows:

YD Memorial Incorporated:
Final Report to
YD Veterans Association

During the years following the close of the war, a strong and increasing sentiment developed that there should be some appropriate monument or other landmark erected upon the battlefields where we

had fought, to stand as a lasting record of the participation of the Division in the great combat and as a memorial to those of the Division who gave their lives in its service.

This sentiment was translated into action at an enthusiastic meeting called by RALPH EASTMAN (M), then President of the Veterans Association, and held at the YD Club in Boston, on November 24, 1925. General EDWARDS presided and spoke, and many other members of the Division advocated the undertaking. The result of the meeting was the unanimous approval of the project. It was agreed that the memorial should be erected on the battlefields in France; that it should be the effort, not of any group or part of the Division, but of the whole Division; and that the cost of the memorial should be raised and contributed by the members of the Division themselves; while voluntary contributions by others would be accepted, there should be no appeal to the public for funds. A motion was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted that the Executive Committee of the Veterans Association appoint a committee to function immediately.

Committee Appointed

At a meeting on December 8, 1925, your executive committee fixed the goal at $75,000 and appointed the undersigned as Chairman of the Memorial Committee, with authority to select his own committee. WILLIAM J. KEVILLE (LM) was appointed Vice-Chairman; RALPH M. EASTMAN (M), Secretary-Treasurer; and an executive committee was appointed as follows:

WILLIAM J. BLAKE (M); CHARLES R. CABOT (M); CHARLES H. COLE (LM); CLARENCE R. EDWARDS; REV. WILLIAM J. FARRELL; ALFRED F. FOOTE (M); JUDSON HANNIGAN (M); PAUL H. HINES; BENJAMIN JAMES (M); EDWARD L. LOGAN (M); WILLARD B. LUTHER (LM); ELLIOTT E. MACDOWELL; HOWARD A. SANDERSON (M); CHARLES C. STANCHFIELD (M); CHARLES A. STEVENS (LM); CARROLL J. SWAN (LM); ELON F. TANDY (M); BENJAMIN H. TICKNOR (LM); SLATER WASHBURN (M); OLIVER WOLCOTT (LM).

The first meeting was held on December 18, 1925. Both the location of the memorial and its final type and design were unsettled, although the preponderance of opinion seemed to favor the location of the memorial in the Chateau Thierry area where the Division had taken part in the 2nd Battle of the Marne. Committees were appointed to consider these questions, committees to represent each organization of the Division and each New England state on large contributions, and on publicity were selected.

In order to provide for tax exemption, the Memorial Committee incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts as a charitable corporation under the name YD Overseas Memorial Inc., and thereafter the affairs of the committee were transacted under that title.

Campaign for Funds Launched

During the twenty-one months of the service of the Division, about 40,000 men had been attached to it at one time or another. Contact with many had been lost but there was available a mailing list of 30,000 names. It was decided to send a first appeal to this list; a letter was prepared and sent out about February 1, 1926, and as an aid to the appeal, the radio station WNAC lent its facilities for an hour on the evening of February 3rd. CARROLL J. SWAN (LM) was the announcer and a musical program was given by Divisional talent interspersed with brief speeches by General EDWARDS, Congressman CONNERY (M) and the chairman.

The slogan "Every man give one day's pay" was adopted and good publicity for the drive for funds was given by the New England newspapers. A follow-up letter was sent out early in March, organizations were contacted and by April 1 more than $13,000 in cash or pledges was in hand.

During the drive for funds, the Memorial Committee held many discussions as to site. KEVILLE (LM), the chairman, and the members of the subcommittee on site, were active in getting the consensus of opinion of the Division and reported that the Chateau Thierry district was the almost unanimous choice. BLAKE (M) and WASHBURN (M) volunteered to visit the locations at their own expense and final decision was withheld until their report.

Belleau Church Decided Upon as Memorial

BLAKE (M) and WASHBURN (M) returned in July with the suggestion that instead of constructing a monument the Memorial take the form of rebuilding the church at Belleau which the guns of the Division had destroyed. They questioned the advisability of adding another monument to the many already erected on the various battlefields and reported that all of the French who had served with the Division recommended such a memorial as expressed by the letter of CHARLES BENOIST D'AZY (HM) (51st F. A. Brigade) who wrote:

> "There is a common feeling among the population against the erection of expensive monuments, their utility being very questionable when so many houses are still to be rebuilt on the very reduced allowances from the French government.
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> "For seven centuries the old church at Belleau was kept in excellent condition by the proud citizens; there is no reason why they should not continue their good work with the new church. Let us hope that seven centuries from now the YD church will still be standing, the history of the Division engraved in her stones. Who knows what will have become of other monuments at that time?"

KEVILLE (LM) went abroad in September and was directed to follow up this idea and get definite plans and figures as to cost. The plan of one or more mark-

ers or tablets was not given up provided there were funds available. KEVILLE (LM) returned in November with the recommendation that the church be rebuilt on a new site near the American Cemetery at Belleau on commanding ground overlooking the whole battlefield of July 18, 1918. He had the full accord of the Mayor of Belleau and an estimate that the completed memorial would cost about $40,000. With BERNARD CARTER (LM) in Paris, M. D'ESTAILLEUR (HM), the president of the Society of Architects of France, had been interviewed and was preparing plans for the rebuilding of the church, the plan being to use the old stones and to restore the church on its new site, in its ancient design and appearance. The church was very old, parts dating from the 14th century. Its roof and some of its masonry had been destroyed by shell fire but the walls and window casings were intact and could be removed and rebuilt without difficulty.

The Memorial Committee voted on November 23, 1926, to approve the rebuilding of the church as part of the YD Overseas Memorial. Funds were slowly coming in, but on January 1, 1927, the amount in cash and pledges was only $18,000. On February 7, 1927, the committee authorized the purchase and transfer of the land selected as the location of the church and gave full authority to the Paris committee, BERNARD CARTER (LM), Count AMAURY DU BOISROUVRAY (HM) and Viscount D'AZY (HM), who organized under French law as "Association du Souvenir de Belleau," and as such took title to the land.

Construction Authorized

Meanwhile, plans and estimates were prepared by the architect, M. d'Estailleur. The cost of the church, not including windows, tablets commemorating our dead, landscaping and sacristy was estimated at about $40,000, the additional features at $10,000 to $15,000 more. The original plans were submitted to two eminent Boston architects, Ralph Adams Cram and Charles Collens, who gave their services, and satisfactory designs were worked out, all of which, owing to distance, took much time.

The fund in May, 1927, was barely $20,000. The government had finally ruled that contributions could be deducted from income taxes, and under LUTHER (LM), the committee-on-large donations was spurred to intensive efforts, with the result that large contributions began to come in. A new appeal was sent out consisting of a little booklet giving the history of the church and the design for the new church, and by November, 1927, the fund had increased to $27,000. By April, 1928, it had reached $37,500, and although the goal had not been reached, the Memorial Committee having faith, on April 17, 1928, dispatched a cable to commence construction.

The cornerstone of the church was laid by the Bishop of Soissons on December 23, 1928, with appropriate ceremony in the presence of CARTER (LM), D'AZY (HM), BOISROUVRAY (HM), and others, including the Prefecture and town representatives. The work was at that time far advanced and the old walls in their new location had risen well above the ground. In tearing down the old church many old carvings and sculpture which had been covered with plaster were discovered and were preserved in the reconstruction.

Further Drive for Funds

Assurances were received from architect and contractor that the church would be finished and ready for its dedication by September, 1929, and plans were made for a pilgrimage of dedication in the autumn of 1929, the pilgrimage to be in charge of the Veterans Association, SLATER WASHBURN (M) being appointed Chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Meanwhile an intensive drive was undertaken to raise funds sufficient to pay the construction costs. Quotas were established for each organization on the basis of its numerical strength. Pleas for funds were made through organization committees and at reunions. The altar was given by the 103rd Infantry Regiment; the clock and bells by the 101st F.A. Regiment. A most graceful and appreciated act was the donation of a day's service pay by every officer and man of the new 26th Division of the Massachusetts National Guard, to be expended for the tablets to bear the names of those of the Division who had died in service, and on the occasion of the annual visit by the Veterans Division to the new Division at Camp Devens on July 14, 1929, the commanding General of the new Division presented a check for $7,500 to the chairman of the Memorial Association.

Mr. Cram and Mr. Collens were consulted as to the stained glass windows. The large altar window was designed and fabricated in France and installed in time for the dedication; the other windows were designed and made by Wilbur H. Burnham of Boston; but the funds in hand at that time were enough for only one, which was made and installed as an example before the dedication. It was not possible to complete the tablets to the dead of the Division in time for the dedication.

Pilgrimage of Dedication

On September 29, 1929, members of the old Division and their families and friends sailed from Boston for Havre. The church was dedicated on October 10, 1929, with impressive ceremony participated in by the ecclesiastical, military and civil authorities of France and by the members of the Division. Flags of the United States, of France and of the six New England states presented by the governors were placed in the chancel and the key turned over to the Mayor of Belleau.

Much still remained to be done to complete the

church. Funds sufficient to pay the cost of the edifice had been raised, but more funds had to be found to build a sacristy, to install necessary seats, baptismal font and other facilities. Enough funds had to be retained to pay for the tablets and windows. The completed plan included grading, planting, and a wall about the church. A total of $8,467.45 was received from the 26th Division, Massachusetts National Guard. This fund was given to cover in the first instance the cost of tablets to bear the names of all the members of the Division who had given their lives in the war. Many errors and omissions in the lists furnished by the War Department were found and it was necessary to check every one of the more than 2700 names with regimental and often with company organizations, and with surviving relatives; the work, which proved to be of unexpected magnitude, was done by PHILIP N. SANBORN (M), and the honor roll of the Division is as accurate as diligence and tender care can achieve. The tablets were carved in France in stone which harmonized with the interior of the church, the names arranged alphabetically in each regiment of major unit. The tablets stretch from end to end of each of the side walls of the church. A tablet bearing the names of the men of Belleau who died in the war was also installed in the church.

When the church was dedicated it was estimated that $8,000 additional would be necessary to complete all details. An appeal to the whole mailing list brought in but $2,500, enough, with the balance remaining from the new YD fund after paying for the tablets, to complete the interior and the remaining stained glass windows but not enough for the grading, walls and planting.

Transfer of Title

It was found that the people of Belleau although most appreciative, showed some hesitancy in adopting the church as their own because the title was still in the agent of the Memorial Association, the Association du Souvenir de Belleau. They were eager to have the church finished and the money for doing the rest of the work was available from reparation funds if the title to the church was in the commune, or town. After thorough investigation the Memorial Associaion decided that it was best to make this transfer under reservations that the church should always be used as a place of worship and that additions to the church, whether structural or in the form of windows, tablets or inscriptions, should be subject to our approval. (See Aug., 1933, YANKEE DOINGS.) These reservations were accepted by the commune and inserted in the deed, and are to be enforced by the Association du Souvenir de Belleau, a self-perpetuating legal entity under French law, acting as agent for the Veterans Association. Before taking final action, the Memorial Association sought and obtained the approval of the Veterans Association. The money, amounting to about $4,000, was obtained from the French Government and the necessary work to finish the church has been done under the supervision of our architect, M. D'ESTAILLEUR (HM).

Appreciation

May I pay tribute to the quality of service shown by all those who have been active in the work. The co-operation and devotion of everyone has been an inspiration. To mention individuals seems invidious, but it would not be fair to the Division to pass without comment the notable services rendered by EASTMAN (M), the efficient Secretary-Treasurer; by KEVILLE (LM), BLAKE (M), WASHBURN (M) for their work at home and in France in evolving the site and form of the memorial; by SWAN (LM) and HINES in their masterly handling of publicity; by HANNIGAN (M), advance agent of the pilgrimage; by LUTHER (LM) in his work on large contributions; by SANBORN (M) for his work on the tablets and his kindly pen; by SNYDER (M), who helped in every way; and above all by BERNARD CARTER (LM), on whom fell all the responsibility and labor of carrying out the work in France. Nor should the generous and indispensable assistance of Ralph Adams Cram and Charles Collens on architecture and design of windows be forgotten, who, although not members of the Division, gave fully of their time and skill. And the aid of our many French friends made success possible, D'AZY (HM) and DU BOISROUVRAY (HM), members of the Division, General GOURAUD (HM) and many other French officials; the master architect, D'ESTAILLEUR (HM); the lawyers, NOUVELLON (HM) and HOULARD (HM), who worked out the legal problems, refusing to take pay, but on the contrary, insisting on contributing to the fund; DESFORGES (HM), the Maire of Belleau, whose help and good will were important factors. A report of the Treasurer showing the amount of money raised and expended is annexed.

Summary

The work of the Memorial Association is now completed in accordance with our plan. In years to come if money is available a small endowment fund for care, repairs, and insurance should be provided and administered by the "Association de Belleau"; gifts to the church to provide for a small organ and numerous other appurtenances, desirable but not necessary, will make the edifice more complete and, above all, funds should be raised to place within the church a bas relief of our beloved leader, the late General CLARENCE R. EDWARDS. But so far as this association can go, its work is done. A unique, and, it is hoped, a lasting monument to our Division and its dead stands overlooking the site of one of our most important battlefields, built not by public funds or public appeal, but by the survivors of the Division in the pride of their service and to the memory and glory of their fallen comrades.

—JOHN H. SHERBURNE (LM)
President, YD Overseas Memorial

Treasurer's Report

	June 15, 1933	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$66,563.62
EXPENDITURES		
Cost of Incorporation	$ 25.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage, etc.	6,802.03	
Tel. & Tel. & Cable chgs.	124.49	
Miscellaneous	691.44	
Construction of Church & Windows	58,672.86	
	$66,315.82	
BALANCE ON HAND, June 15, 1933	247.80	$66,563.62

Amounts Received to June 15, 1933

Quota Assigned		Cash Received	Per Cent of Assigned Quota
$ 3,000.*	Div. Hq. & Hq. Tr.	$3,956.70	133%
10,000.	101 Infantry	3,307.78	33%
4,500.	101 F. A.	8,994.75	200%
500.	101 Tr. M.	118.00	24%
1,500.	101 Sup. Tr.	237.30	16%
1,000.	101 San. Tr.**	1,407.65	140%
1,000.	101 F. Sig.	539.32	54%
500.	101 Tr. Hq. & M. P.	370.95	74%
1,000.	101 M. G. Bn.	1,032.59	103%
	101 M. O. R. S.	32.00	
5,500.	101 Engrs.	5,412.88	98%
2,000.	101 Amm. Tr.	3,499.85	175%
10,000.	102 Infantry	2,141.38	21%
4,500.	102 F. A.	3,443.95	77%
1,000.	102 M. G. Bn.	1,445.40	145%
10,000.	103 Infantry	7,035.30	70%
5,500.	103 F. A.	4,502.34	82%
1,000.	103 M. G. Bn.	642.95	64%
10,000.	104 Infantry	3,894.71	39%
1,000.	51st Art. Brigade	672.00	67%
750.	52nd Inf. Brigade	208.43	28%
750.	51st Inf. Brigade	143.40	19%
	Miscellaneous	10,900.83	
	Bk. Int.	2,618.78	
	Postage on broch.	4.38	
$75,000.		$66,563.62	

* Includes 101 M. O. R. S.

** Includes 101 F. H.; 101 Amb.; 101 San. Tr.; 102 F. H.; 102 Amb.; 103 F. H.; 103 Amb.; 104 F. H.; 104 Amb.

MENACE OF COMMUNISM

By ROYAL K. HAYES (M)
(Nat. Chaplain, Y.D.V.A.)

The most threatening evil in our national life today is the menace of Communism. We must organize on a full front and attack communistic propaganda with determined effort and courage.

This article is being written in New York City only a few blocks from Communist headquarters at 50 East 13th Street. For several weeks the writer has worked among Communists and anti-Communists gatherings facts and figures. Private files and records have been studied. The police, the authorities and private investigators have rendered invaluable cooperation.

Communism teaches the overthrow of the United States government by force and violence. The aim of Communism is to close the churches of all faiths and to forbid all religious instruction.

Communism encourages pacifist propaganda in order to advance under a smoke screen. While Communist leaders ridicule our national defense programs their ulterior motive is to disarm the nation in preparation for a Red Revolution.

It is estimated that there are three hundred societies with headquarters in New York City which are sympathetic towards Communism. The writer has a record of one hundred and eighteen societies.

Communism has declared war on religion, government, and human personality. The World War veteran is sneered at by Communists and the American Legion is hated unto death.

Communists are busy peddling their cancerous propaganda in American universities, theological seminaries, from pulpits, through pamphlets, and from soap boxes and in drawing rooms.

Communists who are aliens must be deported. Citizens who are in sympathy with the philosophy of Communism should be ostracized and their names made anathema.

A country worth living in is worth living for and if necessary one must be willing to make the supreme sacrifice. The end often justifies the means. Communism must be put down forever in our country by ways and means which are effective and permanent.

Every sympathizer with Communistic propaganda is a potential enemy of the United States. Those who do not believe in our government have no right to protection or privileges. Our duty is to destroy Communism in the United States. We shall not break faith with the dead and those yet unborn. Let us back up words with action.

In addition to the above article by Mr. HAYES (M), YANKEE DOINGS has received a longer article from the pen of Col. Alexander P. Martinoff, for twenty years a senior officer of the Imperial Secret Service of Russia. For five years preceding the revolution, he served as Chief of Political Police of Moscow. The article was written at the request of Mr. HAYES (M) who became acquainted with Col. Martinoff

during his research in New York, and DOINGS regrets exceedingly its inability, due to nothing except lack of space, to print the article in full. Several of the most pertinent excerpts follow:

A Friendly Warning

By Col. A. P. Martinoff

"Democracy would like to believe that the communist party is 'just another political party', different from others only in its platform, that its members have an equal right with others to be elected to parliaments, become mayors of cities (the city of Crosby, Minn., already has for its mayor a communist—Emil Niegard), hold government positions, teach schools, etc. The absurdity of this is apparent, as the first aim of the communist party is a complete denial of Democracy itself, the annihilation of all its principles. Of course communists are only too eager to utilize for the furtherance of their interests these facilities so generously offered them through such practices of Democracy, so readily admitting them into the midst of its guardians and servants.

"Without going into the ultimate bearing of the above upon the National Life of this country we must admit that such a state of affairs is mortally dangerous to the very existence of true Democracy.

"Is it not likely that—noticing the apparent concessions made by Democracy to its deadliest enemies—many begin to question the very strength of Democracy itself? And can one help but hope for such an order of things as would make such an absurdity totally impossible.

"The 20,000 enlisted members of the Communist Party of U.S.A. form in reality the 'Officers Corps', so to speak, of this Communist 'Army', its leading and inspiring element, its Generals, Lieutenants and Sergeants, while the privates are, and will always be, recruited at every favorable opportunity, and whose number will not fall very short of the 2,000,000 mark. And if we bear in mind that scattered throughout the U.S.A. there are more than 13,000,000 negroes, a great percentage of whose number have already become permeated with the ideas of communism (1,000 already active as members of the party), the situation begins to assume a very sinister aspect.

"The American Legion and other veteran organizations are barriers; but to become REAL barriers they must find within their ranks as solid and active a group of 20,000 or more, cemented together by their unfailing devotion to the same ideal, ready to assume at once the leadership of an organized and carefully planned ruthless opposition to the far-flung destructive activities of communists in this country."

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. ERIC A. ERICKSON (LM) of Stepney Depot, Conn., announce the arrival, on July 16, of Henry Wales Erickson, 9½ pounds. There are also twin girls now twenty-nine months old.

THIS NUMBER

This number of YANKEE DOINGS has been kept as small as possible because of the rather low state of the treasury. An important meeting of the National Executive Committee (which, this year, includes as well a voting representative of every chapter) is scheduled for September 7,—important because faced primarily with the task of providing adequate funds to float the good, old ship through the balance of the year. That meeting comes too late to be reported in this issue, but of one thing all the officers are sure, and that is that whatever plans they adopt will meet with the active co-operation and help of every member. It will take plenty of real work by every one of us to put across *something*, whatever it may be, to bring in the $3,000 which we must have to meet the balance of the year's budget.

The nation as a whole is learning, through the efforts of NRA, that certain things can be accomplished only by team work. In a small way, the same rule applies to us. We've GOT TO all pull together and pull hard. And we know you're with us.

AN APOLOGY

The editor of YANKEE DOINGS wishes to offer a sincere apology to readers for a serious breach of newspaper ethics. In last month's number, acting in the capacity of a reporter, covering the Concord Convention, he had the extremely poor taste to interpose his personal opinions on phases of the convention in articles which should have been merely straight reporting. Worse than that, some of those comments were in the nature of criticism.

One might gather from reading these reports that he felt that the whole show had been run for his own personal approval or disapproval. And when a guy makes it appear—even unintentionally—that he thinks he is as important as all that, it's time he got a swift kick in the pants. The whole thing was mean and small and insufferably smug. It was an affront to the memory of the days when we were all army pals together.

So we beg forgiveness of every reader and hope they will forget it.

—EDITOR

PRAISES YD SERVICE MEDAL

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

I have received the bronze bust of General EDWARDS in good shape and also the Twenty-Sixth Division Military Service Medal. You can be assured that the bust now rests in the choicest spot in our home.

The Medal is just as you described it in DOINGS, and is deserving of the tradition for which the old YD stands, namely, Individuality.

—RALPH A. TURGEON (M)
(101st Supply Tr.)

Detroit, Mich.

TWENTY-SIXTH DIVISION MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL

"An Emblem of Distinction"

Even if the war is fifteen years behind, it is still a pretty safe bet that if there is one thing in your possession you wouldn't part with, it is your army discharge from the old Twenty-Sixth Division.

But the chances are you don't carry it around in your pocket to show everyone you meet. In the first place, it wouldn't stand the wear and tear. Neither can you wear it on the outside of your uniform, provided you still have a uniform, either Legion, V.F.W. or whatnot.

But the new Twenty-Sixth Division Military Service Medal means just what that discharge means—just that and nothing more. It means that you served in the Yankee Division, A.E.F. If you didn't, you can't get one any more than you can get a discharge stating you did.

It isn't a "decoration"; it doesn't signify extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty. No one pretends it is a "personal" award for anything you may or may not have done. But it DOES identify you as a YD man, and to a lot of us that means a whole lot.

Use the blank printed in this issue and tell any YD man who perhaps never sees YANKEE DOINGS about it. Every YD man should have one, and the Y.D.V.A. will be prepared to supply them as long as any one wants one. You cannot obtain this official medal anywhere else.

REUNION OF 31st RAILWAY ENGINEERS, A.E.F.

Not because it is believed that any member of the above organization receives YANKEE DOINGS, but merely because DOINGS agreed to do so, the announcement is hereby made that a Reunion of the 31st Railway Engineers, A.E.F., and all attached or affiliated units, such as the 17th Engineers, and others, will be held in Chicago during the Legion National Convention in October. Registration starts the morning of October 2 at the Midwest Athletic Club, where a Banquet will also be held at 9:00 P.M. on the night of October 3.

CONVENTION ECHOES

Last month DOINGS was unable to report in full on the result of the Drum and Bugle Corps Competition held in Concord during the YD Convention. Following is the result of the contest:

1st Prize, $300.00, Beverly (Mass.) Post, A.L.
2nd Prize, $200.00, Lowell (Mass.) Post, A.L.
3rd Prize, $100.00, Claremont (N.H.) Post, A.L.
Other Corps in Competition:
Laconia (N.H.) Post, A.L.
West Springfield (Mass.) Post, V.F.W.

SILVER STAR

The following letter from JAMES A. WALTON (M) (104th Inf.) of Detroit, may be of interest to many YD men who perhaps have been in doubt whether or not they were entitled to the Silver Star Decoration authorized by the War Department somewhat over a year ago: "In making out my application for the Silver Star, I was unable to give the number of the General Order in which I was cited, but I copied the reason for the citation onto the application, and a month or two later I received my medal. This information may be helpful to others."

YD MEN AT MAINE LEGION CONVENTION

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

Greetings to all through YANKEE DOINGS and a heap of my best in thanks for the wonderful time given our boys at Concord, N.H.

Another highlight of the Summer was the parade at Portland on the occasion of the American Legion State Convention and the representative turnout of our Maine YD boys for their own special section of the line.

Many of the old faces came into the lineup including LEO JOBIAN and "SLEEPY" JACQUES of Rumford, while on the sidelines I observed WILFRED BOISSONNEAULT (M) of Biddeford, BILL ROACH (M) of Old B Company in all his glory; BOB MERRILL of E Company, now a druggist in the wilds of Northern Maine—Fort Fairfield, and one of the leading spirits of Aroostook County.

Between our Concord and Portland get-togethers there were many happy and unexpected reunions that will live long with the boys.

My kindest from the old Pine Tree State.

—ELTON P. WALKER (M)

WHEREABOUTS WANTED

JAMES "HUBBER" MURPHY (M) (102nd F.A.), who can be addressed c/o YD Club of Boston, 200 Huntington Ave., would like to find out what has become of WILLIAM WALSH, who enlisted in the 102nd Infantry, presumably at Bridgeport, Conn., was about 18 years old at time of enlistment. Murphy wants this information in the interest of WALSH'S family, who have lost all track of him.

MARTIN L. O'REILLY (101st Tr. Mor. Bty.), Service Officer of Lewiston (Me.) Post 22, A.L., would like to know the whereabouts of former Sergeant JAMES H. ALLEN (Med. Corps), attached to 101st Trench Mortar Battery. The Battery had no commissioned medical officer, and Sgt. Allen is the only one who can assist several men of the Battery in substantiating claims of service-connection.

MEMORIAL SERVICE TO LT. NORMAN PRINCE

A good loyal member of the Y.D.V.A. and the YD Club of Boston (CH) is TONY ROCK (M) (101st F.A.), Commander of Norman Prince Post, V.F.W. Tony and his post are making elaborate preparations for a big Memorial Service to an outstanding hero of the War, the man for whom the post was named, Lieut. Norman Prince. Every Legion and V.F.W. Post in Massachusetts is receiving invitations. Most of all, Tony would like to have the members of the Y.D.V.A. and the YD Club of Boston present in good numbers. An official invitation has been received and DOINGS has been asked to co-operate by bringing it to the attention of all. The invitation follows:

> Lieut. Norman Prince Post 1506, Veterans of Foreign Wars, extends a cordial invitation to the officers and members of your organization to attend a memorial service to be held on Sunday, October 15, 1933, in Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston, Massachusetts, at three o'clock.
>
> This service will be conducted in memory of Norman Prince, a volunteer who died for the cause he loved.
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> To honor him on this coming October 15 is our duty as comrades, and we ask members of all veteran organizations to remember Norman Prince and his great sacrifice by attending this service. A short parade, which will form on Beacon Street (right resting on Arlington Street), will precede the ceremony.
>
> —ANTHONY J. ROCK (M)
> Commander (101st F.A.)

"SHORTS"

ROYAL K. HAYES (M) (Hq., 51st F.A. Brig.), National Chaplain of the YD Veterans Association, has been elected an Honorary Member of the Society of Peter the Great in recognition of his interest and activities in combating Communism in the United States.

ERROL F. ESTES (F Co., 103rd Inf.), formerly in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway, recently purchased a farm in Brownville, Maine, and hopes to share in the benefits of the "new deal" for farmers.

EARL C. KNOWLTON (M), formerly of Holeb, Maine, is now with the U.S. Customs Service at Moose River, Maine.

PETER E. COOPY (M) (A Batt., 102nd F.A.), who has been at the U.S. Veterans Hospital in Bedford, Mass., for the past few months, goes from there to the National Soldiers Home, Togus, Maine, on September 24.

TOM MARLEY (M) of Portland sends DOINGS the business card of ARSENE "RED" BERGERON (L Co., 104th Inf.) who runs a restaurant and filling station at Grondines, P.Q., Canada.

Major FRANKLYN J. BURBANK (C Co., 103rd Inf.) spent two weeks of duty with the Maine National Guard at Camp Keys, Augusta, during the past summer.

YD AUXILIARY

School has started again and we are all ready for work. We would like all of our members to try to make special efforts to attend our meetings and social affairs.

At first let us congratulate our President, Mrs. Adele Hendrickson, on her being elected and installed as President of Oliver Ames, Jr. Legion Auxiliary. We wish her success for the coming year in that office.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, is our regular monthly meeting. Wednesday, Sept. 27, is the regular monthly sewing meeting to be held at the home of the President, 15 Spaulding Street, Dorchester.

Friday, Sept. 22, there will be a Bridge and Whist at the home of Mrs. Fay Foss, 33 Hancock Street, at 8 P.M. Come and have a good time.

Saturday, Nov. 4, our Annual Bazaar and Whist will be held in the YD Club rooms. The proceeds of this Bazaar are used to help the Veterans and their families who are in need. The chairman, (Mrs.) Edna M. Snape, would appreciate donations from Auxiliary members and friends of the Auxiliary who would care to donate to such a worthy cause. Her address is 312 Warren Street, Roxbury. There will be more about the Bazaar in the next issue of DOINGS.

Don't forget the date—*Saturday, November 4.* Fancy articles, handkerchiefs, dolls and toys, candy, aprons, grocery and home cooked foods. Whist in the evening.

—EDNA M. SNAPE

IN HONOR OF A CONNECTICUT HERO

The July 25 issue of *The Hartford Times* carries a half page account of the fighting up around Epieds and Trugny about 15 years ago that very date. Written by Daniel D. Bidwell, a former war correspondent whose account of Seicheprey recently appeared in YANKEE DOINGS, it recounts among other stirring details the death of Major George Rau of the 102nd Infantry's First Battalion.

Major Rau performed heroically in the capture of Trugny and Epieds only to die as a chance shell scored a direct hit on the spot where he was resting in the early morning hours of July 25, 1918. Mr. Bidwell's article, appearing on the anniversary date, renders homage to this soldier for whom the Rau-Locke Post of Hartford is in part named. At its first meeting subsequent to the date of the anniversary of Major Rau's death, the Post officially paid respect to his memory.

101st INFANTRY VETERANS ANNUAL REUNION

The Annual Reunion of the 101st Infantry Veterans Association at the Old Muster Field in Framingham (Mass.) on September 8, 9, 10, comes too late to be reported here. The next issue will contain a full account. From information of the plans and preparations to date of going to press, it promises to surpass even the big times enjoyed in Clinton and South Boston.

A special meeting of the YD Post 290, A.L., was held at the YD Club on Monday evening, August 7, with 50 members present. Commander KING presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Finance Officer's report showed a balance on hand of $27.50.

Membership Committee reported one new member. EDWIN BROWN, Soldiers Home, Chelsea, Mass., was accepted for membership.

Report of Penny Sale held August 4 showed a profit of $51.00.

A motion was made by Past-Commander BARNARD (M) and seconded that the Post proceed with the election of delegates for the State Convention. The following members were elected as delegates: Comrades KING, SOUSA, WILSON (M) and MULCAHY. Alternates: Comrades CRONIN (M), WOODS (M), WATTS (LM) and HALFENSTINE (M).

A motion was made by Past-Commander DUNCAN that the annual election of officers be held a month later. The meeting was adjourned at 11 P.M.

The meeting of August 28 was called to order by Commander KING, who thanked the members of the Post and B. & D. Corps for appearing at Holyoke, Mass., State Convention of the A.L.

Chaplain DAVIS reported the death of "HAPPY" APPLETON, a YD man.

Past-Commander WILSON (M) gave a very interesting resumé from notes he wrote at the executive meeting of the A.L. State Convention at Holyoke.

Comrade WHITE requested the names of children of the YD Post members wishing to become members of the YD Post Juvenile Drum Corps be submitted to him.

Commander KING requested the names of those members who anticipated attending the National Convention in Chicago.

Chaplain DAVIS reported that Comrade RALPH FOWLER was ill at the Chelsea Naval Hospital.

The members were informed that nominations of officers of the Post for the coming year will occur at the next meeting, Sept. 11.

Adjutant RILEY (M) announced that D Co., 101st Inf., of Plymouth, will hold a Clam Bake at Plymouth on Sunday, Sept. 17.

The membership committee reported the application of HENRY WILLIAMSON as a member of the Post.

Comrade SULLIVAN (M), manager of the Drum Corps, gave a very interesting discourse on the progress made by the Corps in the past few weeks.

It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Major Drury, of the Oliver Ames Post, for his assistance to the YD Post on many occasions.

Comrades JACKSON (M) and GOLDEN (M) gave an account of the activities of the monster 101st Infantry Reunion to be held on the old Muster Field at Framingham, Sept. 8, 9, 10, and invited all the members to be present to march with the B. & D. Corps in the parade of Saturday, Sept. 9, and give "JIMMY" DUANE (M) any assistance possible to make the reunion a success.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

—M. J. M. (M)

TAPS

PATRICK BROWN, formerly of the 101st Engineer Train, was buried with full military honors in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Lowell, Mass., on July 22. Rev. John J. Feeney of St. Michael's Church (Lowell) officiated at the solemn high mass in the O'Donnell Funeral Home. Large delegations were present from Lowell Post 87, A.L., and Walker Rogers Post 662, V.F.W., of both of which the deceased was a member.

ROY STURDEVANT, formerly of F Co., 103rd Infantry, died early during the past summer in Virginia, following an operation. The body was brought back to Brownville Junction, Maine, for burial. The deceased was Principal of a High School in Virginia up to the time of his death.

WALTER A. WEED, formerly of the 102nd Field Artillery, died suddenly in Detroit on July 12. He was a former resident of Lowell, Mass., and leaves a wife and two sisters.

FRANK A. O'BRIEN, formerly of F Battery, 102nd Field Artillery, died at home in Centralville, Mass., on August 11. Military burial service under the auspices of Walker Rogers Post, V.F.W., of Lowell, followed solemn high mass at St. Michael's Church, on Monday, August 14.

VERNON C. BOND, formerly of the Medical Detachment, 103rd Infantry, died on August 19, at Louden, N.H. Burial was at Stratham, N.H.

Major FRANK CAVANAUGH, formerly of the 102nd

Field Artillery, and nationally famous college football coach at Boston College and Fordham University, died in Marshfield, Mass., on August 29.

Ernest H. R. Appleton, formerly of A Company, 101st Infantry, died by drowning at Old Orchard Beach, Maine, on August 27, 1933.

Leander Valdemar Erickson, formerly of E Battery, 103rd Field Artillery, died late in July, at Shelton, Conn., and was accorded a military funeral by members of the American Legion of Branford, Conn.

Louis Gaetas, formerly of A Co., 101st Infantry, died at his home, 209 Gold St., South Boston, Mass., on September 2.

AMONG THE YD CLUBS AND CHAPTERS

YD CLUB OF BOSTON (CH)

The "Oh's and Ah's" of those who are dropping into the Club for the first time since the rooms were recently renovated are ample testimony to the wonderful transformation which has been wrought. You'd never know the old place, with its new paint and linoleum tile floor covering in the Library, smoking room and pool room. It looks simply great, that's all. John Goode (M), transferred from doorman to custodian, takes so much pride in it that it is a pretty risky procedure to drop a cigarette ash on the floor when his eyes are on one. Eddie MacDonald (M) (L Co., 101st Inf.) now has John's old post at the door.

Not much going on during the summer months, except fairly good sale of beer from the new electric cooler; but the Fall season should be under way by the time you receive this number.

YD CLUB OF CHICAGO (CH)

For one of the three youngest YD children (triplets were born in June—Chicago, Lawrence and Nashua), the YD Club of Chicago (CH) is a lusty and ambitious youngster. It has set its heart on nothing less than acting as host to all the old YD men who show up in the Windy City to attend the National Convention of the American Legion. With a registered enrollment of not more than twenty-five, it is filled with courage and hospitality. And it asks your help in putting its plan across.

On October 3, at 8:00 P.M., following the big Legion Parade, there will be an all-YD Banquet in the main dining room of the Illinois Athletic Club. This Club is located on Michigan Avenue—the main stem—just a block from Legion Headquarters in the Palmer House. The cost is $2.00.

Now any of you birds who are going to take in the Legion Convention, this is one of the events you won't want to miss—a regular old YD get-together. But to make it a success there is one thing you'll have to do. Drop a line, and send the $2.00, to Clarence A. Bush (M), Manistee Ave., Chicago, Ill., just as quick as you can. He would like to have some idea of reservations by September 15, but that date will be in the past when you read this, so hop to it quickly. The Chicago Chapter is set to make you feel at home if you will just do your part.

Through the kindness of Mr. Harold Redden, Mass. Dep't Adjt. of the American Legion, all Mass. posts have received notification of this YD banquet.

Tom Sheppard (M) (102nd M.G. Bn.), visiting his folks in Everett, Mass., over Labor Day, had the rotten luck to be in an automobile accident in which he suffered two strained ribs and Mrs. Sheppard received numerous strains and bruises.

YD CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (CH)

With Vice President Pete Dresser (M) in the chair during the absence of President John Fox (M), the YD Club of Southern California enjoyed a couple of good meetings in August, the second one being especially interesting as Frank Meredith was back with a most enjoyable account of his travels in New England during the summer, including a report of the Concord Convention. Meredith brought back several reels of pictures taken at the Convention, which will be shown to an interested audience at our next meeting on September 6th.

Cards have been received from President Fox (M), mailed from many different points in New England, indicating he is having a great time. We look for him to blow in any day now with great tales of his 10,000 mile auto trip.

We have also received several post cards from Mrs. Clara Locke, who is in France to visit the grave of her valiant husband, Captain Arthur F. Locke. We look forward with interest to her return.

Our 3rd Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 10, and the boys are all hopped up over this event. Plans have been laid for several weeks to make it better in every way than the two preceding affairs, and if we do half the things planned for the day we are going to have SOME PICNIC.

Since we started a Chapter out here the 102nd and 104th Infantry boys have been battling constantly to prove their own supremacy. The issue will be settled, we hope, at the picnic by a baseball game, and if ever there was a contest for blood, that will be it. Bets have been made as high as the other half of the bonus, so you see it's serious business.

During the American Legion State Convention at Pasadena we held a Yankee Division reunion which was one of the greatest events of the entire week. Through Col. MONTEITH (M) the Club was invited to the home of Miss Kay Mulvey, a most charming hostess, where we made merry around tables groaning under the abundance of a Dutch Lunch. Many the song and jest before the party broke up and hearty was the cheer for Miss Mulvey for her efforts to make our get-together the happy time it was. Her guests and assistants were Mrs. Jack Morse, Miss Peggy McClymont and Miss Maxine von Wiegand, and if you never met any of these four girls you ain't seen nothin' and no foolin'!

—G. K. M. (M)

To GEORGE MITCHELL's (M) official chapter report above, the Ed. DOINGS can add that one of the many ports of call made by President JOHN FOX (M) was Y.D.V.A. Headquarters in the YD Club of Boston clubhouse, where he was enthusiastic in his praise of the beautiful appearance of the club rooms after their recent renovation. He and your Ed. had a long and highly enjoyable confab on Y.D.V.A. affairs, and Nat. Hq. would like to make the observation that the Southern California Club has developed to man's estate in the YD family. And no wonder, with two live wire presidents in succession like GEORGE MITCHELL (M) and JOHN FOX (M).

One of the most gratifying things FOX (M) reported was the way in which the chapter lives up sincerely to the spirit of its charter as an integral part of the Association. Los Angeles is one of the liveliest spots on the YD map to-day, make no mistake.

YD CLUB OF LYNN (CH)

We are getting ready for our Fall campaign and are going to put on the first major offensive ever attempted by the Club in the form of a membership drive with Doctor HAROLD CROWELL (M) as chairman (or Major), and he and I are getting together to pick the Captains and then form teams. This is our first real membership drive since the Club was formed and as Doc and I are sold 100% on the Y.D.V.A. we are going to do all in our power to boost the Y.D.V.A. and try and dig a lot of those ex-privates—lieuts.—captains—majors and others out of their shells and bring them over to the fold.

Here's hoping that after our membership drive gets under way we obtain plenty of new Y.D.V.A. members and maybe later on the different Chapters of the Y.D.V.A. might hold a get-together at Boston and devise some ways and means of helping the Chapters' finances.

—RAY DOUCETTE (M)

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND (CH)

A small but loyal gathering of local members of the Portland YD Club assembled at Langley's Marine Grill to do honor to Col. HUME, who is soon to leave Portland for his former home in Houlton.

Col. HUME, who has given a lifetime to the service to his country, dating from before the Spanish-American War up to a short time ago, was relieved from his position as Collector of the Port of Portland, which he has held for many years both faithfully and efficiently, by the machinations of the State and National politicians now controlling the destinies of the ex-service man.

Col. HUME took advantage of the occasion to ask for information as to the guilty person or persons who shot his cow. Anybody that has information is requested to write the Colonel at once.

Among those present were three Engineers and 15 soldiers.

Col. FRANK M. HUME (103rd Inf.); WILLARD P. LOVEJOY (M) (F Co., 103rd Inf.); LEON E. HALL (F Co., 103rd Inf.); ORIN (TOP) TYLER (F Co., 103rd Inf.); HAZEN O. HAGAR (M) (F Co., 103rd Inf.); HARRY L. PORTER (M) (C Co., 101st Eng.); WARREN C. KING (HM) (C Co., 101st Eng.); OWEN P. BENTON (M) (C Co., 103rd Inf.); REX ROBINSON (B Batt., 103rd F.A.); GEO. W. MORRILL (G Co., 103rd Inf.).

ROBERT KENNERSON (B Batt., 101st F.A.); EDWARD DOUGHERTY (B Co., 101st Eng.); MALCOLM STODDARD (103rd Inf.); EDWIN MCFARA (A Batt., 103rd F.A.); VICTOR A. E. ERICKSON (M) (Hdq. 101st Eng.); LOUIS A. DONAHUE (M) (101st Inf.); BERT WORTHEN (D Co., 103rd Inf.); JOSEPH PERRY (M) (B Co., 101st F.A.).

The same old question, "Who won the War?" was brought up and after much argument it was decided that The National Economy League was the winner.

Blame was given the Engineers for not saving some of the war-time dynamite for use in the proper places.

HAZEN HAGAR (M) is singing songs these days. "Give Yourself a Pat on the Back" is one sung most often, the event being a son born some time ago.

Speaking of inflation, when you want your flats inflated, call at the YD Tire Shop, 623 Forest Ave., and "TOP" TYLER will do the trick, or sell you a new one, if you have that much money.

YD CLUB OF WASHINGTON (CH)

RAY QUEENIN (M) (102nd Inf.), following the abolition, curtailment or whatever it was, of the Bureau of Efficiency, has been appointed Assistant Chief Accountant of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Dept. of Agriculture.

LEONARD A'HEARN (M) (A Co., 101st Inf.) has been transferred to the Farm Credit Bureau.

NATE GOLDEN (M) and AL BARTRAM (M), according to latest advice received, were "still hanging on" in the Department of Commerce. Nate is now Senior Vice Commander, Department of D.C., V.F.W., and QUEENIN (M) Chairman of the Department Resolution Committee.

YD CLUB OF LAWRENCE (CH)

Permanent officers elected by the YD Club of Lawrence are:

President: JOSEPH M. RINEHART (M) (C Batt., 102nd F.A.).

Treasurer: WILLIAM A. BROWN (M) (Hq. Co., 102nd F.A.).

Secretary: JOHN A. MCCARTHY (M) (Med. Det., 101st F.A.).

Meetings are being held during the summer and several new members are joining up each time. With the coming of cooler fall weather, the Club's activity will increase and a lively and interesting winter program is being planned.

YD CLUB OF WATERVILLE, ME. (CH)

The youngest baby of the Y.D.V.A. family received its birth certificate (charter) by unanimous vote of the National Executive Committee, on September 7. It is the YD Club of Waterville, Me. (CH). The request for recognition was received way back in June, but since that time, during the summer months, no meeting has been held by the Executive Committee, and action has been deferred until this time.

A resumé of the activities of the Waterville, Skowhegan, Oakland group which has rounded up the nucleus for this chapter was given in the June issue of DOINGS. Since that time, DOINGS has heard from ELTON P. WALKER (M), the Association's National V.P. for Maine, that on a recent trip through Waterville, he found JAMES MCMAHON (M) of that city and CHET OLIVER (M) in Oakland talking to every YD man they met, urging them to join the YD Club there. A meeting was scheduled for September 7 (too late for report here), and OLIVER (M), who is Chief of Police, threatened every YD man who didn't show up that he would be put in the cooler.

There will undoubtedly be more to report from "the baby" in future numbers of DOINGS.

YD CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD (CH)

No report has reached YANKEE DOINGS up to time of going to press.

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER (CH)

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YD CLUB OF NASHUA (CH)

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YD CLUB OF CONCORD N.H. (CH)

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YD CLUB OF WORCESTER

While news of the formation of this organization has been missing from the pages of YANKEE DOINGS, it "don't mean a thing". Stealthily gaining strength, it will blossom forth in color, now that the cooler weather is on the way.

On June 29th, the Club met in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, Worcester, where several hundred expressed their interest by attending. With a potential membership of over 800, and spirited enthusiasm from those who were present at the preliminary meetings . . . we are off!

Meeting the second Thursday of each month it will interfere little with the meetings of other organizations . . . poker-clubs . . . or, "elbow-bending" contests. Co-operation from former YD-ers of the different outfits was well noted principally from JOSEPH H. GAUTHIER (M) (103rd Amb. Co.), the debonnaire *chargé d'affaires* to the Mayor of Worcester. In obtaining the Council Chambers he shows his desire to "keep the veterans off the streets". *Sotto Voce.* (We have a Memorial Auditorium . . . un-completed!)

The officers of the Club: Commander, JOSEPH P. O'LOUGHLIN (G Co., 101st Inf.); Vice-Commander, THOMAS H. MCCARTHY (B Batt., 102nd F.A.); JOHN J. BROSNIHAN (E Batt., 102nd F.A.), Treasurer; and EDWIN J. NOYES (M) (C Co., 104th Inf.), Adjutant.

July 13th. (Who's Afraid?) plans were perfected to send a representation to "Fort Devens Day". About 100 members made the trip . . . police-escorted . . . Returning there were stragglers!

The Executive Committee were instructed to draw up the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club. Many outfits are represented by the following committeemen:

JOSEPH MAYNARD (A Co., 104th Inf.); SLATER WASHBURN (M) (C Batt., 101st F.A.); Ed J. FITZGERALD (B Co., 102nd F.A.); DANIEL A. JONES (M) (C Co., 104th Inf.); CHARLES P. RUGG (M) (102nd Inf.); NELSON E. MAYO (E Batt., 102nd F.A.); JOSEPH H. GAUTHIER (M) (103rd Amb. Co.); PATRICK J. SULLIVAN (M) (G Co., 101st Inf.); CHARLES WEBSTER (H Co., 104th Inf.); WALTER KANZ (101st Amm. Tr.).

Much flowery oratory featured the June 13th meeting. JOHN A. FLAGG (M) (G Co., 101st Inf.) and HARRY BLOCK (H Co., 104th Inf.) vied for tophonors. While somewhat entertaining . . . the members decided that speakers be obtained for future

meetings, and thus the Club meeting will have entertainment in addition to the regular business sessions. A program of the intended speakers and their subjects will shortly be announced.

August 14th, the Club had the pleasure of hearing Major JAMES T. DUANE (M) (101st Inf.). He complimented the Club on its initiative and extolled the possible accomplishments. In conclusion, on behalf of the 101st Infantry Veterans Assn., he extended an invitation to the Reunion at Framingham in September. It was voted to make formal application for Charter to the parent body, the Y.D.V.A. An invitation has been received from the YD Club of Chicago (CH) to the "Shin-dig" they are planning for their YD Comrades during the A.L. Convention in that city. *Sotto Voce* (The YD Club of Worcester HAS some QUALIFIERS . . . "Happy Days" . . . Glug, glug, glug!) (Competition IS KEEN!!!)

—TED NOYES (M)

RHODE ISLAND REDS

I once thought that all members of the 104th Amb. Co. were "City Slickers", but after seeing MAURICE FERNLEY drive by in his beach wagon, smoking a corn cob pipe, well, I thought wrong. Maybe he got his pipe answering radio ads.

By the paper we see ROBERT H. BRESLIN (104th Amb. Co.) has a private pilot aviator permit.

I hear that Sgt. "AL" SMITH has become a papa. Those of us from the 104th Amb. Co. extend our sympathy to the kid.

GEO. PATTERSON (103rd F.A.): We thought you had forgotten the old army. Why did you paint your auto O.D.?

"PROFANITY DAN" CLIFFORD is doing a fine job of feeding the gang at the Harrison Street Armory.

The New Deal, intended, we thought, to create jobs for the unemployed, has just put HOWARD C. ARNOLD (103rd M.G. Bn.) out of a job. After eight years as U. S. Marshal in Providence he has been replaced by a brother of Eddie Dowling, the actor. Tough luck, Major.

JOS. MCLAUGHLIN (103rd F.A.), we hear, is still playing baseball: just the other day he pitched (his old position) a win over the Cambridge, Mass., Elks.

The present 103rd F.A., Rhode Island Nat'l Guard, they call the "Cry Baby Outfit" for reason that they could not stand the trip from Providence to Fort Devens, 63 miles, without a stop for *lunch.* An outfit may travel on its stomach, but that outfit now moves in swell trucks. The officers are mostly former 103rd F.A., A.E.F. It must seem nice to the old-timers to be in an outfit where they think of the three squares a day above everything else.

—"TRENCH FEVER" (M)

YD CLUB OF FITCHBURG?

A letter from ARTHUR P. SHEA (M) (B Co., 104th Inf.): "Enclosed find dues, am 'member-at-large' as yet, but believe we will have a Fitchburg Chapter in the near future." He further asks for all information concerning the forming of a chapter, which was sent at once.

Must be that all the regimental and battalion correspondents haven't recovered yet from the summer vacation fever. At any rate, whatever it is, it has been many a moon since DOINGS has received so few "Outfit" items up to time of going to press. The one shining and notable exception is the 102nd Field Artillery. So come on and get back on the job; let's hear what's going on.

103RD INFANTRY

The 103rd reunion at Camp Keys, Augusta, was a flop if there ever was one. Notwithstanding the heavy rain, quite a number of the old gang did show up to talk over old times and wonder why in hell they ever left home on such a day.

There is something wrong somewhere and we can't seem to find out just what it is. There seems to be lack of desire on the part of the members of the 103rd to get together. Last year an order was sent to the different companies, directing former members of the old 103rd to meet in the Howitzer Co's mess shack to discuss plans for the reunion day. The most of the enlisted men did come, but not a single officer. The same, in part, was true this year. But the day of the parade they were there in force.

Considerable effort was made last year to get a picture of former officers of the old 103rd for the Divisional magazine, "The Bulletin" (mostly Bull), but none of the enlisted men, of whom there were quite a few. It may sound like sour grapes but we firmly believe there is no place in the National Guard for the World War enlisted man.

The success of the reunion at Augusta last year and the year before was due in a large part to the efforts of two enlisted men, neither of whom is the writer of this espistle to the Romans. Adios.

102ND FIELD ARTILLERY

Greetings: Veni! Vidi! Vici! So said the great Maestro at the battle of Schlitz,—or was it Heidelberg? Who the deuce cares? We simply wish to apply the words to the assault on Fort Devens, July 16, 1933, A.N.D. (year of new deal).

Colonel "ROLLY" CHOATE (LM) and us and company, plan to have an old-fashioned jamboree at the next YD reunion or on Camp Devens day. The latter being Sunday, would be plus que parfait. Behind Major WINSLOW's and Captain PERRY's quarters the big tents will go up, under the direction of Lieut. RALPH "ZEKE" RUSSELL (M) of the cowboy band; and the cooling, refreshing beverages will go down. Keep this in mind and talk it up to your buddies. Wise me up about all regimental news and doings and items of human personal interest. Merci.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

Colonel LOCKE (M): Because you were held in high esteem by the men and boys of the 102nd F.A., they ask about you now and then. If you read this issue of YANKEE DOINGS kindly drop a few lines about yourself to the undersigned, so that I can enlighten the old gang.

Old-timer Sgt. Major MCCARTHY of Worcester was up to Camp Devens renewing old acquaintances. The passing years have not been too hard on Mac.

Another stranger to hit the camp was HOWARD W. MORSE, formerly of Lawrence but now living in Lynn. Howie is seeing things through in mannish fashion with two pairs of eyes, and the second pair is not rose colored. Former pals can correspond with him by addressing mail to Saugus Post 210, A.L.

CHARLES "HANK" MCGUERTY of Lawrence was on the battlefield "hankering" for the company of a few of the old-timers. Next time, Charley, you will have your wish.

There was Drum Major FAY "PANSY" FOSS, erect of carriage and moving about as sprightly as in the days of yore, sixteen years ago.

CARL "LAZARUS" STEARNS, Jew's harp virtuoso, who was marooned in the great American desert at the tender age of two and almost died of thirst, still carries a mark of the harrowing experience. Even to this day "Laz", the child wonder, suffers from a burning thirst. (Russell, a chord in B flat.) Hey, Laz, come down to the club and play with me. You bring the sugar and the oboe.

Corp. HAROLD "LOTSAJACK" SHEDD (M) toured Fort Devens in the family Pullman with the wife and four little Sheddsies. Harold is determined to recruit a war strength squad of future YD rooters. I wish some of you renegers were half as loyal as the big blond oompa boompa.

Greetings, Capt. SIMPKINS: How about getting a few of the boys together to make future plans for a regimental splash before we all go thither from hither?

D BATTERY, NEW BEDFORD

Hurrah! The Whalers are back into port.

It looks as if our old favorite, Lieut. HAROLD WINSLOW, now Major in the new 102nd F.A., is in a key position to form a Y.D.V.A. Chapter in New Bedford. Always well liked, he is certain to have plenty of co-operation. Recently, the Major had an unfortunate automobile accident. His doctor said, "You cannot make the encampment at Camp Devens this year because of your condition." Huh! Harold was there with everything but the spurs. A real Yankee Doodle boy is the Major.

We met former stable Sgt. BILL WALSH and broncobuster HERVE BOISCLAIR at the camp. The former has "evoluted" from feeding horses to feeding humans. He is now Mess Sgt. and the latter is his first line cook in the new Battery D, 102nd F.A. Budget or no budget, they're still there with the old-time hospitality.

JOHNNY COUGHLIN and BILL DRESNER have engaged in a friendly competition to find out who can make the most "pinches" while they protect the lives and properties of New Bedford citizens. (No offense, buddies.) (Two potential Y.D.V.A.'s there, Major.)

The two BILLS, CLARKSON and ETCHELLS, follow the song of the siren on the New Bedford Fire Dept. Well, I suppose it is better to fight fire than fire water. (Count two more, Major.)

Sgt. WARREN M. FRANK (M) is the official Armorer of the New Bedford Armory, and Boy, that's news! Nice information to keep in mind on a stormy night. How about it, Warren? (Chalk up another, Major.)

That very likable young man who was Sgt. PERRY of Fairhaven is now Capt. CHARLES F. PERRY (102nd F.A.) of Auburndale. The skipper is the Adjutant of Major WINSLOW's Battalion. Mail addressed to 60 Congress Street, Boston, will finish its travels on Charley's desk.

B BATTERY

We collided with EDWARD M. CRAFT and ARTHUR "TORCHY" MCCANN of Worcester in the wide-open spaces of Ayer. Yes, sir! wide open spaces for wide-open gentlemen. Torchy blazed the trail, holding high the torch, while both boys acted the part of true, one hundred per cent guests by accepting all hospitality.

F BATTERY, LOWELL

"Congressman" KING (M) was on the line at the Devens Review. The lawmaker is a very faithful guy where Y.D.V.A. business is concerned. Well, "Frisby," old fruit, tell that carver of meats, "WHAT-A-MAN" GAFFNEY, to drop down to a YD Club meeting in the late Fall and bring that clever old time

Keith magician with him. We'll use him right. You know in a couple of months we'll be singing, "Happy Days Are Here Again".

HARRY CHAMBERS states that he is now living at 342 Lincoln St., Lowell. Harry pedestrianed around the review field with the Congressman. He appeared as fresh as a *Nymphaea Zanzibariensis.*

The last time we met Corp. EDWARD J. FAHEY, many years ago, he had on a police uniform up in the wilds of Billerica.

Drop a line, boys, and help organize the new Y.D.V.A. chapter in Lowell.

Rub-a-dub-dub, I'm Hubber of the Hub.

—JIM "HUBBER" MURPHY (M)

ENGINEER ENTRIES

FANCIES OF F

GEORGE MACPHERSON (M), back from an extended trip through the West, reports meeting Dr. MULCAHY (104th Inf.) in the town of Craig, Colo. George spent an evening in the Club, seems in the pink and riding the crest of the wave.

Doesn't seem as if that could be the only new item of the month, but we've just gone through the whole blooming list of names in the back of "The Story of F Company", and there doesn't seem to be another one that we've heard from or about this summer.

There are about 60 men of old F Company on the YANKEE DOINGS list. Won't each one drop a card to the YD Club and let's hear what they've been doing, or what other F Company man they've seen or heard from this summer? Got to stir up some life somewhere or this column will peter out altogether.

—P. N. S. (M)

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